

WHITE HOUSE.

Reception Given by President and Mrs. Cleveland.

Cleveland Was at Home on New Years to all the World.

The Representatives of Foreign Nations Greeted the President in the Name of Their Rulers. Diplomatic Breakfast at Secretary Fish's.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—The president was at home to all the world who chose to visit the white house Tuesday, and with his official family repeated the annual lesson in the simplicity and impressiveness of American republic institutions in the United States.

The representatives of foreign powers, in the splendor of their court dress, greeted the president in the names of their rulers; the army and navy paid their respects to their commander-in-chief; the members of congress to their executive; the federal officials to the head of the government and the public at large to the chief citizen of the nation.

In minor details alone did Tuesday's reception differ from any of its predecessors since Gen. Washington, the first president, officially inaugurated the national ceremony in 1789. Nearly one hundred and four years ago the Old Dutch custom so pleased him that he inquired whether it was an established or a casual one, and being informed that the day was always honored in New York, he exclaimed:

"Whatever change takes place, never forget this cordial and cheerful observance of New Year's day."

Immediately following the president's reception the secretary of state entertained the diplomatic corps at breakfast, the secretary of war received the army, the secretary of the navy opened his house to the navy and until night official visiting was the rule throughout the capital.

The interior of the white house was decorated Tuesday very much as it usually is upon the occasion of official functions, with masses of palms, ferns and other potted plants about the parlors, banks of flowers on the mantels and curtains of similar before the mirrors. The oval blue room, where the receiving party stood, was profusely adorned, and all the rooms were illuminated by the electric lights.

The weather was clear and bright with brilliant sunshine. The approaches to the executive mansion were occupied by a double column of army and navy officers. Striding away from the portico beyond the gates, the red-tasseled helmets of the artillery, the yellow of the cavalry, the white of the infantry, the black-plumed chevrons of the navy, showed distinctly above the sea of dark blue uniform respectively. The crowd extended beneath the great portico where carried rapidly deposited the brilliantly attired members of the diplomatic corps. Along the sidewalks extending down the side streets, stood long lines of organizations and private citizens awaiting their turn to shake the president's hand. Crowding into the narrow lanes of remaining space within sight of the white house were thousands who had been attracted by the gay scene.

FOSTER'S MISSION.

Diplomats Unable to Decide Its Exact Character.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—Speculation in diplomatic circles is active regarding the mission in which Gen. Foster will figure in the negotiations between the two belligerent powers. It is thought unlikely that he will take part in the conference, as to do so he must be appointed by China plenipotentiary, and doubt is expressed whether under international usages a foreigner could be appointed a conferee for either side.

If not commissioned as a plenipotentiary he might be present at the negotiations in the subordinate capacity of secretary, but it is doubted whether a diplomat who has been secretary of state and United States minister to foreign nations would care to play an inferior part.

To Form a Ballot-Rights League.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—Hon. J. C. Manning, of Montgomery, Ala., has received communications from people throughout the south urging him to call together representatives from all of the southern states, for the purpose of organizing Ballot-Rights leagues. Mr. Manning will soon issue a call for a conference of those favoring the movement to meet at New Orleans January 18, 1895.

Bids For Gun Carriages.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—Bids have been accepted at the war department for supplying nine or more disappearing rifles for the ten-inch coast defense rifles. Among the bids were those of William T. Ford of New York City, \$197,900; one in five months and one every six weeks; Morgan Engineering Co., Alliance, O., \$195,375, one in four months, then one per month. As the time of delivery is an important factor, some calculation is necessary before an award can be made.

Invitations to Official Reception.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—President and Mrs. Cleveland have just issued fifteen hundred invitations to persons in official and social life for the purpose of four receptions, to the diplomatic corps, army and navy, judiciary and senators, and representatives in congress, which it is the custom to give yearly. The first will be given on January 10. These receptions are always popular and the invitations highly prized.

Small-Pox at the Capital.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—There were five deaths and one case of small-pox Monday. Joseph Brannon and Wm. Green, colored men, were victims of the epidemic. The new case is that of Willie Watson, an eleven-year-old colored girl.

NEW YEAR'S TRAGEDY.

Unfortunate, Fatalistic and Suicide of an Immense Man.

RAY CITY, Mich., Jan. 2.—The new year was ushered in here with a double murder, the victims being Mrs. Cora Trumbley and her eight-month-old baby. The murderer is Daniel J. Trumbley, the "woman's man."

Shortly after 9 o'clock Tuesday morning an alarm of fire called the fire department to 911 Ketchum street, the residence of Daniel J. Trumbley. After a hard fight the fire was gotten under control. On entering a bedroom door, Mrs. Trumbley was found lying on the bed with her throat partially burned. Her throat was cut from ear to ear, and the bed clothing was covered with blood.

At the foot of the bed was found her baby. The child had evidently been smothered, as no marks of violence were found on the body.

Trumbley is about 28 years of age. He was formerly a prosperous fish dealer, and afterward went into the lumber business. For the past two years he has been showing evidence of insanity. After cutting his wife's throat Trumbley turned the bed clothing with kerosene and then set fire to it. Trumbley had another child, a boy of ten years, whom he left at the home of his parents near Ray City, Mich. This was the last seen of the murderer. After the discovery of the crime Tuesday morning search was begun for Trumbley. The general police body was found in a well at Essexville, a suburb of Ray City. He had committed suicide by drowning.

LYING IN STATE.

The Body of Sir John Thompson Reaches the Consulate.

HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 2.—H. M. S. Blenheim, with the body of the late Sir John Thompson on board, arrived at the mouth of the harbor at 10:30 Tuesday morning in a rainstorm, and ran almost opposite the York harbor before the first minute gun announced her approach. The thousands who had been waiting along the water front in a steady torrent of rain from early morning.

The Amlin was taken from the steamer by eight sergeants of the royal engineers and placed upon a gun carriage. The funeral procession, headed by the band of the king's regiment, and followed by all the military and militia dignitaries, proceeded to the parliament building where the body is now lying in state in the executive council chamber. All along the line of the procession, despite the tremendous rainstorm, the streets were lined ten and twelve deep with the rubber-coated crowd of anxious sight-seers.

A Banner Orange Sale.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 2.—J. J. Baldwin has closed a contract with the Earl Fruit Co., of Los Angeles, for his crop of oranges in the Santa Anita district, estimated at 170,000 bushels. Baldwin will receive for the crop in the neighborhood of \$300,000. This probably is the largest orange sale ever made in the city.

Fatal Pullman Collision.

BATH, Me., Jan. 2.—As the Pullman train approached Bath station Tuesday morning, a collision occurred between it and a freight train. Twelve persons were killed, Thompson, nephew of Wm. L. Putnam, Miss Catherine Patton and Miss Jennie Harvey. Miss Patton was killed. Thompson was badly cut and Miss Harvey was slightly injured.

A Mississippi Assassination.

MERIDIAN, Miss., Jan. 2.—Information of the assassination of a senator by Z. T. Balkman, in Kemper county, Saturday night, reached Meridian Tuesday. The feeling in the vicinity of the crime is high, and one report has it that Balkman has been lynched.

Cheaper Plate Glass.

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 2.—Beginning Tuesday a cut of twenty per cent. will be made in the price of plate glass by the Diamond Plate Glass Co., of Kokomo and Elwood, Ind., and Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co. This is caused by the plate glass companies failing to form a combination.

Coming to See Cleveland.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 2.—The morning Post of Wednesday, has a friendly letter on the mission of William Randall Greener, U. S. minister to America, to congratulate President Cleveland and congress in favor of the arbitration of all disputes between Great Britain and the United States.

Found an Oil Well.

PORTLAND, Ind., Jan. 2.—An oil well it, Jackson, owned by Emerson Drilling, drilled in and is flowing forty barrels an hour. The well was only drilled twenty feet in the sand and had to be shut down until more tanks are erected.

Killed Himself on New Year's Day.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 2.—B. F. Hickie, a machinist of Pana, Ill., committed suicide by the means of a gun Tuesday afternoon. He had been drinking heavily, and took morphine. He leaves a wife and three children.

A Verdict For \$5,000.

MURKIN, Ind., Jan. 2.—Jesse J. Neel has been given judgment against the city of Bedford for \$5,000 for injuries received by falling on a defective sidewalk, crippling himself. The city will take the case to the supreme court.

Brown Gold Discovered.

VICKSBURG, Miss., Jan. 2.—Holmes county is excited over the discovery near the Carroll county line of what is certainly a very large bed of lignite, or brown coal.

Twenty Thousand Liberated.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 2.—More than twenty thousand prisoners will be benefited by the czar's decree of amnesty. Many of them have been already liberated.

Thursdon Nominated.

OSAWATOMIE, Kan., Jan. 2.—M. Thurston was nominated unanimously for United States senator by the republican legislative caucus Tuesday.

CONDENSED NEWS.

Sanctioned From All Parts of the World by Telegrams.

The Delaware legislature organized Tuesday. Wm. L. Strong was inducted into the office of mayor at New York city New Year's.

Tests made with a motor cycle in Germany show that a speed of fifteen miles an hour can be attained with it on the road.

Sam H. Conners, a car inspector on the C. & D. road, Cincinnati, was literally cut to pieces at 6:30 o'clock Tuesday night.

Hamilton Fish was nominated on the first ballot for speaker in the New York assembly caucus Tuesday night, receiving 73 votes.

Gov. Rich entered upon his second term as governor of Michigan Tuesday. All the other state officers were sworn and entered upon their duties.

Wm. McMullen, a Pittsburgh laborer, cut his wife's head almost off with a hatchet, and then cut his own throat with a razor, Monday morning.

Hon. Levi P. Morton was inaugurated governor of New York Tuesday. For the first time in fifteen years a republican chief executive presides at Albany.

The windmills and windmills on a large dairy farm near Tarrytown, N. Y., were Tuesday destroyed by fire. Many horses and cattle are reported to have perished in the flames.

At Altoona, Ont., Miss Belle Armstrong, a wealthy young lady, jumped from a moving train and broke her neck. Her father witnessed the accident and the shock drove him insane.

Paul Alexander, son of A. M. Alexander, ex-member of congress from the Paris (Mo.) district, died of heart disease Tuesday. His body was found in a pasture near Kansas City. He was 35 years old.

Patrick D. Gibson, well known both as a journalist and insurance man, died Tuesday, rather unexpectedly, at Richmond, Va., though he had been in poor health for a long time. He was 69 years old.

A dispatch from Shanghai received in Paris states that the whole British squadron in British waters has been suddenly ordered to proceed to Chefoo from Chusan. New developments are impending.

It is reported that the Tongkhai rebels in the Korean province of Chollado have founded a new kingdom, named Kainan. It is added that a member of the Ming family has been enthroned as king.

The Joslyn building, in which the post office is located, at West Winfield, Herkimer county, N. Y., burned. The building was a three-story structure. Buildings were either destroyed or gutted, including a bank.

E. D. Potter, a leading furniture dealer of Erie, Pa., was killed Tuesday morning destroyed twenty-five freight cars loaded with phosphorus, two express cars, two passenger coaches, one mail car, and the entire sheds of the South Florida railroad, operated by the Plant system. Origin of fire unknown.

The Canada and Michigan Tunnel Co. will apply next session for power to construct a railway bridge across the river to Detroit at the point where they are already empowered to construct a tunnel. It is the intention to build a draw bridge, the spans to be not less than 1,000 feet.

LOWER WAGES.

Cotton Growers in Mississippi to Reduce the Pay of Fieldhands.

MERIDIAN, Miss., Jan. 2.—The cotton planters of the Mississippi Delta have concluded a convention at Natchitoches at which steps were taken to fix a scale of wages for cotton hands all over the cotton producing states. Resolutions were passed fixing the pay of best male labor at fifty cents per day and the best class of female labor at forty cents per day. Not more than \$7 per month, with rations, will be paid the best labor, and crops should be laid by a maximum of \$3.50 per acre. Clubs will at once be formed throughout the state, having for their object the reduction of wages.

Col. John R. Cameron, now a candidate for governor; John Willis and Dr. A. J. Phelps, three of the most prominent men in the state, are giving the movement their indorsement.

A Lynching Is Probable.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 2.—Joe Roundtree, a Negro, cruelly beat his wife and burned his house down on her to complete his murderous attempt. The woman did not burn up completely. Sheriff Anderson landed the Negro in jail. Excitement among the Negroes grows almost uncontrollable.

Big Defaulter Waylaid.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 2.—Information from O'Fallon, Neb., says that a big ex-treasurer, who stole nearly \$400,000 from Holt county, and who is out on bail, was waylaid and murdered.

USE OF THE KOLA-NUT.

European Nations Adding It to Their Army Supplies.

Its Force-Promoting and Life-Preserving Properties Have Been Introduced into the United States—Product of the Dark Continent.

Reuben Gordon, Emile Pasha and the Matabele war, the opening of the "Congress of humanity the kola-nut. Within a few years says the New York Post, it has passed from the narrow function of detestable barbaric ingredients into an extensive service of civilized man.

Kaiser Wilhelm the Young, ever alert to discover additional means of preserving the peace of Europe, inferred from the exhaustive reports of laborious German chemists, physiologists and therapeutists that it would prodigiously increase the fighting capacity of his soldiers, and immediately ordered it to be stored in his palace.

Government of the German republic determined that its brother of Germany should not beat it an inch to the goal of peace, promptly placed the kola-nut in the compass of its national establishment. Thereupon generous rivalry stimulated Austria and Italy to do likewise; whereupon the contagion of the philanthropic impulse overspread Russia. Mountain climbers were as quick as peace preservers to recognize the battle-sustaining properties of kola, and nearly all the Alpine clubs in Europe have made it a part of their dietetic equipment. And finally its force promoting and life saving qualities have won for it secure admission to the medical pharmacopoeia both abroad and in this country. It is, however, less known and used here than there.

A marvelous property of enduring its use with power to endure severe and prolonged physical exertion, and taking food and without feeling fatigue, is the particular virtue which has attracted attention to kola. Traveler's tales to this effect, at first relegated to the realm of the fabulous, were finally followed and confirmed by scientific investigation. Among the latest European investigators are Prof. E. Heckel, Prof. F. Schlagdenhaufen and Dr. Leon Ernest Monnet, and from their authoritative reports the material of the present article is mainly derived.

Prof. Heckel tells us that the negroes in tropical Africa walk for forty miles a day with nothing to eat but one fresh kola-nut, and that he has accomplished as surprising a feat upon a diet of dry kola. He relates the story of two army officers who, while ascending the nearly nine thousand feet of Mount Camero, limited their subsistence to a quantity of kola 25 per cent. of which was kola. Presenting about two grains of caffeine. They rested twenty minutes, climbed twelve hours, and found themselves on top with no sense of fatigue and with apparently no diminution of muscular power. Many other officers and private soldiers, Dr. Heckel says, have tested with like results the potency of kola. He cites the experiences of several infantry officers who ate an insignificant quantity, and were not tired after walking in the month of July forty miles in fifteen and a half hours.

At his suggestion the French Alpine club adopted kola as yet, unreservedly, promptly felt to studying its physiological action upon the human system and its therapeutic possibilities. Discouraged by threefold increase, kola was a tonic for the heart, accelerating, strengthening, and at the same time regulating its pulsations. "In the last stages of cardiac affection," declares Dr. Dujardin-Beatmet, "kola sometimes works resurrections." It revived the pulse, increasing its frequency, and lessening its rapidity. It exerted a special action upon the nervous system and for all derangements thereof was an efficacious remedy; and probably through this same action it retarded metamorphosis of the tissue. It was a powerful tonic for employment in anemic and chronic debility, and in convalescence from severe fevers and other acute disorders it greatly promoted repair of the organism. It assisted digestion and prevented dyspepsia. It had rendered signal service in cases of sporadic cholera. It was a specific for inebriation. This reputation came from Zululand, where the natives found it a godsend after contact with the British chartered companies.

The Wing Area of Flying Animals.

Dr. Dujardin-Beatmet has shown that the wing area of flying animals varies from about forty-nine square feet per pound of weight in the grapt and five square feet in the swallow to half a square foot per pound of weight in the Australian crane, which weighs twenty-one pounds and yet flies well. If we compare the last or smallest proportion, a man weighing one hundred and sixty-eight pounds would require a pair of wings each of them thirteen feet long by three feet broad, or double the area of an ordinary room door, to carry him, without taking into account the weight of the wings themselves.

To pick out other aerial instances, it may not be generally known that a frigate bird can travel at the rate of a hundred miles an hour by chronograph and live in the air a week at a time, day and night, without touching a roost; that large and heavy birds can remain aloft motionless in air for hours without flapping their wings; that birds can exert continuously about one-third of their power per pound of weight that man can and about the same amount more than a horse can.

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